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APPLICATION NO: Herewith

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FOR: LIPOSOMAL INTERFERON HYBRID COMPOSITION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please insert the following after the title, page 1:

-- This application is a continuation of Application 09/257,446, which is a 371 of PCT/GB95/02821, filed April 12, 1995, which in its entirety is herein incorporated by reference.--

In the Claims:

Cancel Claims 1-21 and add new Claims 22-34 as follows:

22. A pharmaceutical composition for treating a viral liver disease comprising an α -interferon B/D hybrid contained in liposomes formed from a lipid mixture having a phase transition temperature of 20°C to 30°C wherein the lipid mixture comprises 50 to 75 mol % of

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